

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION MEETING  
EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS AND LAND SURVEYORS  
JULY 12, 2002  
MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Lynda Farrar, Martin Hanson, Nancy Sobczak and Dale Paczkowski

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mary Forseth, Wayne Austin, Pamela Meicher, and Darwin Tichenor

**GUESTS:** Neil C. Lien, PE, Retired WSPE; Donald F. Helfiecht, PE, Retired WSPE;  
Joe Dresser, PE, WSPE; Mark Conti, PE, WSPE; and C. Allen Wortley,  
PE, WSPE

**CALL TO ORDER**

Lynda Farrar called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum of four members was present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Amendments: Add 4d. NCEES MBA Board Members  
Add Item 9b. Darwin Tichenor – Approval Review for Architectural exam  
Add Item 9c. Status of exam question challenges  
Delete Item 12a. ii – Review the Rationale in Disposing of the Shohet Case  
Delete Item 12a iii- Review Publicly Available Information in the Gruneau  
Matter

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobszak moved, seconded by Marty Hanson, to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5/3/2002)**

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Marty Hanson, to approve the minutes of 5/3/2002. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**Deputy Secretary Greg Horstman**

Deputy Secretary Greg Horstman thanked the attendees of the Board Member workshop held in June.

Deputy Secretary Greg Horstman discussed the budget reconciliation for this fiscal year. He discussed how the Department of Regulation and Licensing is funded from Department revenue rather than General Purpose Revenue.

Deputy Secretary was also participated in a discussion on the cost of distributing the Regulatory Digest via the internet versus paper format.

## **Section Roster**

Martin Hanson's home and cell phone numbers need to be corrected. They should be:

Home # 715-834-1823

Cell phone # 715-559-9251

## **2002 Meeting Dates**

The Section made the following change to the August Screening only meeting. It will be changed to August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2002 (from August 8<sup>th</sup>).

## **To-Do List**

The Section noted that all items were completed, as reported by Mary Forseth.

## **Regulatory Digest Draft**

Dale Paczkowski will write an article on ethics consideration exam for the Regulatory Digest, with input from Martin Hanson and Nancy Sobczak

## **Summary Reports on Pending Court Cases, Disciplinary Cases, Administrative Rules and Press Releases**

The Section would like to see more information listed on the "Status" section of the Reports. More details would help the members better understand the specifics of each case.

## **NCEES MBA Board Members**

Martin Hanson said he would like to get off the NCEES Board Members "list serve." Lynda Farrar, as chair, is on the distribution list so Martin will "unsubscribe."

## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

### **Eliminate Review Option for Exams**

Darwin Tichenor led the discussion on NCEES exam reviews. He advised the Section that NCEES will not conduct reviews of exam results for candidates, but Wisconsin statutes and Administrative Code allow candidates to request a review. The Department conducts the reviews.

**MOTION:** Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to propose a statutory and administrative rule change to eliminate test reviews. Nancy Sobczak abstained. Motion carried.

## **Continuing Education**

Barb Showers provided information on other states administration of continuing education requirements. She also discussed resources required for a CE program, how to determine what types of training and education are appropriate for CE, and how to monitor the CE compliance. Currently, most other boards that require CE perform random auditing.

Models of the Minnesota Continuing Education Model (Marty Hanson will provide) and the NCEES model (Mary Forseth will provide) will be discussed at the next meeting.

### **Experience-Only Option for Licensure**

The Section discussed the "Experience Only" licensure option:

- a. 4 Year Degree  
4 Years Experience  
Exam (2)
- b. No Degree  
8 Years Experience  
Exam (2)
- c. No Degree  
12 Years Experience  
Exam (PP)
- d. 4 Year Degree  
8 Years Experience

The Section may want to pursue a statutory change in these qualifications. After some discussion, the Section decided to carry this item over for discussion at their September 6 meeting.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES UPDATE**

### **Proposal for "Administrative Codes and Statutes" Examination**

Mary Forseth will revise the scope statement removing reference to "Ethics" testing and replacing it with reference to "Administrative Codes and Statutes" testing.

"Barrier free" testing is covered under Section 443.09.5. The section agreed that we will discontinue this testing when NCEES begins covering it as part of their exams. Darwin will contact NCEES to determine when NCEES will include it.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to allow the Administrative Codes and Statutes test be a take home test. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to eliminate the barrier free portion of our examination when NCEES begins to cover it in their exam. Motion carried unanimously

## **Proposal to Revise AE 4.08(8), Refuse Exam Seating for Cheating Incidents**

The Section reviewed the Wisconsin Administrative Code for Accounting on cheating on examination. They would like a similar code. The Section reviewed the draft scope statement providing for the examinee to be barred from completing the exam, to be given a failing grade, and/or to be barred from sitting for multiple future exams.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to pursue an Administrative Code change related to sanctions for cheating on examinations and/or removing examination materials from the room. Motion carried unanimously.

## **REGISTRATION ISSUES**

No action taken.

## **PRACTICE ISSUES**

No discussion

## **EXAMINATION ISSUES**

### **Exam Security Breach**

Joel Gard discussed the incident of an NCEES Examination Booklet being removed from a test site. After investigation both NCEES and the Department agree that the removal of the booklet was accidental. The booklet and answer sheet have been recovered. A signed statement from the examinee that he had not copied or disseminated any information about the exam is on file

### **Approval Review for Architectural Engineering Exam**

Darwin Tichenor discussed the correspondence from the Director of Examination Development Services covering the Principles and Practice of Architectural Engineering Examination. The letter discussed the content, specifications, surveys and panel of engineers involved in evaluating questions on the examination.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to accept the Principles and Practice of Architectural Engineering Examination and not the American Institute Architects examination. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Status of Exam Challenges**

Candidate identification numbers: 56,605, 56,744, 106,000, 106,040 and 106,274.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to accept the examination scores and to accept the recommendation of the reviewers for no change in candidate scores. Further, the motion recommends that Darwin write a letter to the NCEES testing group to request that they re-write their questions to be less ambiguous. Motion carried unanimously.

## **RCRA Tank Certification**

There was brief discussion on the correspondence from Charles M. Bessey, CHMM, in connection with the Academy's position that CHMM should be included for Tank System related certification. Patrick Ries, PE, suggests that the licensing board forward their comments to USEPA regarding this matter.

## **Wisconsin Society of Professional Engineers, Communication with Joe Dresser**

Joe Dresser, along with several others representing the WI Society of Professional Engineers (WSPE), attended the meeting to review and explain the purpose, mission and objectives of the Board of Engineers Professional Responsibility (BEPR), the ethics arm of WSPE. Joe would like the WSPE to be of service to the Engineering Section. They would like to work with the Board and make interpretations of Rules and Policy.

There was also discussion on whether continuing education should be required for this profession.

The Section said that it would like to meet in September or November somewhere on the UW campus, to encourage engineering students to attend.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to go into Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearings (s.19.85 (1)(a), Stats); to consider licensure or discipline (s. 19.85 (1)(b), Stats); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s.19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote: Lynda Farrar-yes, Martin Hanson-yes, Nancy Sobczak-yes, Dale Paczkowski-yes.

The Section deliberated on reinstatement requests, discussed application reviews, discussed Certificate of Authorization, and reviewed a Board violation.

## **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION:** Dale Paczkowski moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to reconvene in Open Session at 2:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION, IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE**

## **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to reconvene to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to grant Michael W. Gritton a professional Engineer License. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Dale Paczkowski, to grant Wendel Duchscherer Architects & Engineers P.C. a Certificate of Authorization. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to grant Robert Giles full Licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to deny the Petition of Gary Grunau, to vacate and set aside order imposing suspension. He may petition for reinstatement after complying with our Board order related to the order issued by the State of Florida Board of Professional Engineers. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to reinstate the license of Donald R. Voigt. Roll call vote: Lynda Farrar-no, Martin Hanson-yes, Nancy Sobczak-yes, and Dale Paczkowski-yes. Motion carried.

### **Monitoring Report**

None

### **Case Closings and Case Status Report**

None

The Section noted the following staff actions on applications.

### **APPLICATIONS REVIEWED ON JULY 12, 2002**

The Section took the following action on applications.

### **FOR REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER**

1. By 16 Hour Written Examination
  - a. Granted  
O'Connor, Patrick D
2. By approved Degree Plus 8 Years Experience
  - a. Granted

Brandmeier, Scott J  
Braverman, Yakov G  
Chapman, John W  
Doo, Harry Y  
Gaber, Brian  
Gross, Daniel

Guth, Michael A  
Harings, Chad  
Holter, Carsten  
Kern, William  
Kump, John A  
Murphy, Rick L

Ohde, Bradley J  
Shaffer, Vida  
Sherwin, Karl  
Stoil, Daniel

Yang, Tau X  
Zingelman, Peter J

b. Deny

Hilgendorf, Andrew  
Kreiter, Anthony  
Vandahuvel, Kelly  
Wilson, Larry

1. By Comity

a. Granted

Johnsen, Lawrence F

FOR PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING EXAMINATION

a. Granted

Bina, Kevin  
Casper, Wayne  
Chard, Michael  
Hall, James  
Hanna, James  
Hong Liang  
Kirar, Carl  
Krohn, Justin  
Liello, Joseph C  
Mouenaar, Brian  
Newkirk, Randal G  
Pringle, Craig A  
Pringle, Rachel  
Robinson, Jay E  
Schmid, Martin  
Shaprio, Yuriy  
Skrzymowski, William j  
Uddin, Sami  
Walter, Todd M  
Winant, Edward H

Chowdhury, Goutam  
Ertmer, Paul  
Girard, Jonathan

b. Deny

Atchison, Alexandria  
Carpenter, Michael S  
Grolewski, Bart  
Shah, Rajiv R

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday September 6, 2002.